

PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

INFORMAL HEARING

MARCH 22, 2012

1:00 P.M.

AGENDA

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APPEARING:

BRADLEY COUNTY SO – LONGWITH, WILLIAM DALLAS

The officer was terminated on 1-4-12 for violation of Policy. In August 2011 a neighbor complained that while the officer was mowing his yard he wore nothing more than a pair of boxer shorts. The officer was made aware of this matter but chose to ignore and continued to engage in the same manner which resulted in a second complaint by another citizen in Dec. 2011.

Policy Violations:

26.1.2 – Article 5. Private Conduct

26.1.5. D.5 – Lewd or Indecent Conduct

26.1.5. D6 – Conduct unbecoming a member of the Sheriff's Office

26.1.7. A4 – Compliance with Direct Order of a Superior

Officer received the letter on 2-23-2012.

Motion to Approve/Disapprove by:_____Second_____

Remarks:_____

JACKSON PD – BROOKS, MARVENT AGUSTA

The officer was terminated on Jan. 13, 2012 after an internal investigation by the department resulted in state criminal and federal charges. Officer plead guilty to state charges of theft of property over \$1,000, tampering with evidence and two counts of official misconduct. Officer also plead guilty to federal charges of conspiracy to violate civil rights and possession of an unregistered short-barrel shotgun.

To date officer has not received the letter and it has not been returned by the POST Office.

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Remarks:_____

METRO NASHVILLE PD – POOLE, JEFFREY LAMONT

Officer was terminated on 1-11-12. Officer was terminated on seventeen separate charges and a suspension of thirty seven 37 days. As a result of a complaint an investigation was conducted by the Office of Professional Accountability. On Nov. 10, 2011 police were summoned to a Nashville address in regards to a 15 year old boy being struck with a trophy by his father. The officer's son had gone to his mother's address and she had reported to the Emergency Communications Center that the officer had been assaulted. As a result officer is charged with the following violations:

Charge with violations:

General Order 09-03 – Department and Personal Appearance

VII. Personal Behavior B. Adherence to Law

To wit –TCA-39-15-402 – Aggravated child abuse and aggravated child neglect or endangerments (Class B. Felony)

General Order 09-03 – C. Conduct Unbecoming an Employee of the department.

General Order 09-03 - E. Honesty & Truthfulness

Metro Civil Service Rules

Section 6.7.11 – Grounds for disciplinary action – Violation of any written rules, policies or procedures of the department in which the employee is employed.

13. Dishonesty

32. Any failure of good behavior which reflects discredit upon himself, the department and/or the Metro. Government.

33. Conduct unbecoming an employee of the Metro Government.

Officer received letter on 2-25-12.

Motion to Approve/Disapprove by:_____Second_____

Remarks:_____

RUTHERFORD COUNTY SO – DUNN, BILLY REDMOND

The officer was terminated on Sept. 3, 2010 for Official Misconduct. He was convicted of Destruction of Government Records in Circuit Court on Sept. 23, 2011.

To date Officer has not received letter and it has not been returned by the POST Office.

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Remarks:_____

SHELBY COUNTY SO - ELLIS, WILLIAM DERRICK

The officer was terminated on March 24, 2011, and on the same date the Officer entered a guilty plea for Driving Under the Influence and received 11 months 29 days probation with driver's license suspended for one year. Officer was charged with Shelby County's SO Standard Operating Rules, SOR 104 Personal Conduct and SOR 105 Adherence to Law.

On 5-17-11 he was scheduled for a Civil Service Hearing at which time he withdrew appeal and the SO agreed to let him resign effective 3-24-11 and treat termination as resignation with any benefits that would have been allowed had he initially resigned instead of being terminated.

To date officer has not received letter and it has not been returned by POST Office.

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Remarks:_____

MEMPHIS PD - BENJAMIN NORMAN PETER

Officer was terminated on 10-10-11. After an administrative hearing he was suspended for 30 days for DR#108 Truthfulness and terminated for violation of DR#104 Personal Conduct and terminated for violation of the 2nd count of DR#108 Truthfulness. On Sat. Sept. 3, 2011 the officer reported to the Memphis PD that he had been shot by a male Hispanic or African American and he ran from the scene. Memphis PD spent numerous man hours and resources, i.e. Helicopter, uniform patrol and investigators searched for what was a fabricated suspect. Officer later told investigators that you were shot by a female acquaintance accidentally.

Letter mailed on Feb. 21, 2012 and returned on Feb. 28, 2012 marked "Return to Sender, Not Deliverable as Addressed Unable to Forward."

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